

August 27, 2013

Regular Meeting

7:00 PM

The Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards met on the above date with Councillors Isabel O'Reilly, John Jeffrey, Kathy Marion, Stanley Pecoskie, Carl Kuehl and Debbie Peplinskie present. Mayor Janice Visneskie chaired the meeting, which she opened and called to order.

Pecuniary/Financial Interest: No pecuniary/financial interest was declared by any of the Council members present.

Minutes:

Moved by Debbie Peplinskie
Seconded by Isabel O'Reilly

Motion to approve minutes of Regular and Committee of the Whole meetings dated August 6, 2013. Carried.

Delegations: Mayor Visneskie congratulated all of the student employees who have worked in various departments over the summer. She read a letter from a visitor to the area who was very impressed and pleased with the reception and the assistance that she had received from Charity Ross during a recent visit to the Visitor Information Centre in Killaloe. Mayor Visneskie also read a letter from Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization, who through their 2013 mystery shopper report, have given the Visitor Information Centre a 97% rating. The township will also be promoted as a customer service leader in the region in the next edition of Highlands Highlight, their industry newsletter. Mayor Visneskie also thanked Amber & Jacob Lapenskie for having another successful swim program this year. She advised that she had received a lot of positive and complimentary feedback from parents of participants in the program with regard to how much the children enjoyed the program, and how well the students ran the program. Mayor Visneskie also recognized and thanked Steve Mills for his work with Maria Mayville over the summer months, and for his participation and promotion of community events. She thanked Alysha Kuehl and Rachel Burchat for their hard work with the works department and for being such good ambassadors for the township. Council took a short recess, then reconvened with the same Council members present.

Reports:

Fire Chief Bob Gareau was present and was invited to give his report. Fire calls since his last report included an extrication call, a lightning strike, fire call to a logging road, trees on power lines, a downed hydro line, a tractor fire and a complaint about burning. The Emergency Preparedness Committee met on July 19th at the Round Lake Fire Hall and toured the Evacuation Centre that has been set up there. Fire Chief Gareau prepared an Evacuation Centre Report, which was distributed to full Council. The Annual Open House was held at the Round Lake Fire Hall on July 20th. Mayor Visneskie read correspondence from a visitor to the area who had attended the event and who wanted to share her impression that the event was well-organized and a great experience for her family. The Fire Chief has prepared Building Occupancy Reports for the Killaloe and Round Lake Rinks, as well as three fire inspection reports. Water testing has been completed at the Round Lake Fire Hall. A water softener and UV light may have to be installed there. Annual testing and certification of MSA breathing apparatus has been completed.

Training that has been undertaken since the last report includes portable fire extinguisher training (academic and practical), search and rescue, self-contained breathing apparatus training, learner's package, fire department organization, professionalism, safety, chemistry of combustion, and apparatus maintenance certification. The date of the table top exercise for Emergency Management was changed to October 10, 2013.

Fire Chief Gareau advised that the 1964 fire truck cannot be recertified and will be taken out of service on January 1, 2014. Someone is interested in providing the Fire Department with a training package worth \$4000 in exchange for the truck. Council will review the procurement policy with regard to the disposition of surplus property with regard to this request. Fire Chief Gareau advised that the Fire Department holds an award/recognition ceremony every five years, and asked if this will continue. Councillor Peplinskie advised that it was hoped that this event could be held in conjunction with the annual Christmas dinner, as the five-year awards/recognition ceremony for all staff is scheduled for this year as well. Two candidates will

be interviewed for positions on the Fire Department. Council thanked the Fire Chief for his report, at which time he left the meeting.

Community Development Coordinator Maria Mayville was present and was invited to give her report. She reported on the success of An Irish Gathering. The thirty-seven events, which were held over a 10-day period, were well attended by residents and visitors from across the county. The events were also very well supported by the public and the local media. Council thanked Ms. Mayville and all who volunteered and worked to help in any way with the event. Songs from the park was also a very successful music program this summer, with the last performance of the season being held on August 29th.

Local Government Week is from October 20-26th. During this time schools and municipalities work together to raise civic awareness among students in Grades 5 - 10. Council asked Ms. Mayville visit the schools to see if they are interested in participating in this initiative. Small Business Week will take place during the week of October 20-26th. Ms. Mayville requested and received permission to hold an event/workshop on Wednesday October 23rd at the Round Lake Recreation Centre. Jennifer Layman will hold a "small business boot camp", and Valley Employee & Family Assistance Program will present information regarding mental health in the workplace.

Ball Hockey Registration will be held on September 9th from 6-7 PM at the Killaloe Recreation Building. The season will start on September and run for eight weeks.

Two new businesses, Blake's Coffee on Queen Street and The Wooden Spoon on King Street, have opened up recently in Killaloe. Council thanked Ms. Mayville for her report, at which time she left the table.

Works Superintendent Clifford Yantha was present and was invited to give his report. The paving projects are scheduled to begin after Labour Day. A fencing project on Byers Creek Road has been completed. Councillor Pecoskie reported that he had received a complaint from a resident on John Street that their neighbour had installed steel pickets on the township's property to the edge of the pavement. Councillor Pecoskie advised that he and Councillor Kuehl had gone to the site, and had discussed the issue with an OPP officer who was on the scene. The location of the pickets had created a hazard to those vehicles and pedestrians using John Street, so Councillor Pecoskie removed the pickets that were on township property.

Council reviewed correspondence from Bradley Coulas that was originally tabled at the August 6, 2013 meeting, in which Mr. Coulas outlined his complaint about flooding at his entranceway. Works Superintendent Clifford Yantha provided Council with pictures that he had taken of the property. Council agreed to clean out the ditch adjacent to his property and asked the CAO/Clerk-Treasurer to send Mr. Coulas the pictures, which indicate that the water coming onto his entranceway is not coming from the township road, but rather from his own property. Councillor Jeffrey reviewed a request from Laurie Barnes for dust control and information with regard to obtaining a civic address number. Works Superintendent Clifford Yantha advised that dust control material will be placed on the roadway during the next application, and that he will arrange for an application for a civic address number to be sent to Ms. Barnes.

Examining Accounts:

Moved by Carl Kuehl
Seconded by Stanley Pecoskie

Motion to approve road and general voucher #07-2013 in the amount of \$376,784.22. Carried.

Mayor Visneskie thanked the Works Department for their work at the waste site in preparation for the visit from Minister of Environment Jim Bradley. Mayor Visneskie also read correspondence from a summer visitor to our municipality who indicated that she was very pleased with the help that she had received from the waste site personnel throughout the summer, and she commended the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards for the township's commitment to composting and recycling. This correspondence was forwarded to the Works Superintendent and waste management employees. Council thanked Mr. Yantha for his report, at which time he left the meeting.

In response to complaints received regarding inadequate signage for the Party in the Park event at the Round Lake Recreation Park, Council agreed that the Community Development Coordinator is to order additional signs for 2014. Mayor Visneskie advised that the Community Development Coordinator has been using her personal cell phone with regard to her work on behalf of the municipality. Council agreed to provide her with a cell phone for work related calls.

Mayor Visneskie requested, and Council agreed, that the township will install a new plaque and base in Station Park to commemorate Emerson Lepine, the former Reeve of Killaloe, who was instrumental in developing Station Park.

CAO/Clerk-Treasurer: The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer provided a written report to council with regard to the purchase and installation of the new phone system.

New Business: Mayor Visneskie reported on her attendance at the recent AMO conference and her meeting with representatives from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care with regard to assistance for Valley Manor. She also met with the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Natural Resources with regard to the effect of Species at Risk legislation and increasing restrictions on logging in Algonquin Park on the local economy. She also discussed the ongoing issue of damage to private properties on the lake with regard to high water levels and the failure of RPG to adhere to their agreement with MNR. Mayor Visneskie also attended a Water Levels meeting at the Sands on Golden Lake, however, she suggested to Council that she does not see a benefit to the taxpayers for her to continue attending these meetings as she does not feel that there is an interest on the part of the committee to address the ongoing issue of damage to shoreline properties due to high water levels.

Committee Reports:

Waste Management Committee: Councillor Pecoskie advised that a load of recyclables that had been shipped from the Round Lake Waste Disposal Site was contaminated with household garbage, corrugated cardboard and other items that are not allowed to be disposed of in the recycling bin at the site. Although we were not charged a residual fee for this particular load, a residual fee of \$300 per load could apply. There is also a possibility that the company may not want to continue to pick up our recyclable materials, which would mean additional costs for transport of the material to another facility. The items that are being thrown into the bins are being left there when the site is closed. The lid of the bin has been secured so that it is not accessible when the site is not open, however, there is a concern that those who are using the bins to dispose of non-recyclable items will continue to dispose of them at the site when it is closed. Council agreed to install cameras at the site to deter this type of behaviour.

Councillor Pecoskie reported that 162 vehicles had brought material to the recent HHW day event. Councillor Peplinskie reported that 400 L of paint, 800 L of oil and 32 drums of other assorted hazardous material was collected.

Personnel Committee: A Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for August 29, 2013 at 6:30 PM.

Recreation and Culture Committee: Councillor Marion reported that she had been contacted by the president of the Bonn Trae Sno Mobile Club with regard to damage to trees at Station Park. She will set up a meeting with him to discuss this issue. Councillor Kuehl advised that snowmobiles are causing damage to the deck of the railroad bridge, and to the paving stones in Station Park. Councillor Marion will discuss these issues at the meeting as well.

Water & Sewage Committee: Councillor Kuehl reviewed the geotechnical report that has been prepared with regard to a water connection for the municipal building. This issue will be discussed during 2014 budget deliberations.

Correspondence:

OCWA: Invitation to speak at the OCWA Technology Showcase with regard to the success of the Killaloe THM reduction project – Mayor Visneskie will attend.

Ministry of Health and Long Term Care: Minister's Medal Honouring Excellence in Health Quality and Safety – filed.

County of Renfrew: Presentation re: asset management software - Staff will attend; GMF grant – filed; Municipal Council Tour – filed; Media release re: Warden's golf tournament – filed.

Donna Cotnam, Community Relations Coordinator, Miramichi Lodge: Miramichi Lodge Foundation – Fiddle-feast event - filed.

Rachelle Clayton Consulting: Culture Development Grant – filed.

Victim Services of Renfrew County: Annual Golf Tournament – Council agreed to donate door prizes.

Town of Bancroft: Dunganon Landfill Site Business Plan – Council asked the CAO to advise that the township has entered into a waste export contract with Lafleche Environmental Inc.

Morrison Hershfield: Detail Design and Environmental Assessment Study for Hwy. 60/Cole Creed Culvert Rehabilitation - filed.

Ministry of Rural Affairs: Rural Economic Development (RED) program – Tabled to a future meeting.

Minister of Energy: Municipal Energy Plan program – filed.

Township of Baldwin: Request for support for campaign re: needs of small municipalities – filed.

Joseph Hall: Municipal Waste Management Shared Services Centre of Excellence Organization – filed.

Mayor Visneskie: Information from proposed Waste Reduction Framework workshop – filed.

OCWA: Invitation to client dinner at OEMC - filed.

Nicole Olsheskie: Thank you for bursary – filed.

OVBusiness: Newsletter – filed.

Renfrew County United Way: 2013 Campaign Kick-off Breakfast- filed.

AMO: Councillor training – filed; Ontario Association of Police Services Boards conference – filed.

MIS: Optional insurance coverage for bridges or dams - filed.

Randy Hillier, MPP, Lanark-Frontenac-Lennox and Addington: Canadian Property Rights Conference 2013 - filed.

OVRTA: Eastern Ontario Economic Development Strategy Feedback session - Mayor Visneskie will attend.

AECL: Information bulletin re: unrecoverable loss of approximately 11 kg or 10 litres of heavy water – filed.

Renfrew County Farm News: Fall newsletter - filed.

Council agreed that the township would pay for the Heritage Radio sponsorship ad that was initiated by Mayor Visneskie for An Irish Gathering.

Committee of the Whole:

Moved by Stanley Pecoskie

Seconded by Carl Kuehl

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council move into a closed meeting pursuant to Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, for the following reason(s):

- The security of property of the municipality or local board;
- X Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including employees;
- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land;
- Labour relations or employee negotiations;
- Litigation or potential litigation;
- Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege;
- A matter authorized by another provincial statute;
- The subject matter relates to the consideration of a request under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;
- For the purpose of educating or training members of Council.

Carried.

Moved by Carl Kuehl

Seconded by Debbie Peplinskie

Motion to come out of Committee of the Whole. Carried.

By-Laws:

Moved by Stanley Pecoskie
Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion for 1st and 2nd reading of By-Law #33-3013, being a By-Law confirming the proceedings of Council at its Regular meeting dated August 27, 2013. Carried.

The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer read By-law #33-2013 a first and second time.

Moved by Carl Kuehl
Seconded by Stanley

Motion for 3rd reading of By-Law #33-2013. Carried.

The CAO/Clerk-Treasurer read By-law #33-2013 a 3rd time short, at which time it was passed by Council.

Adjournment:

Moved by Debbie Peplinski
Seconded by Carl Kuehl

Motion to adjourn Regular Meeting dated August 27, 2013. Carried.

Janie Wisneski
Mayor

Anna Shuster
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer